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## **A Fixed Point Approach to the Stability of a Quadratic Quartic Functional Equation in Paranormed Spaces**

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### Abstract

In this paper, using fixed point method we prove the generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of a quadratic quartic functional equation for fixed integers  $k$  with  $k \neq 0, \pm 1$  in paranormed spaces.

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## 1 Introduction and Preliminaries

A basic question in the theory of functional equations arises as follows: When is it true that a function, which approximately satisfies a functional equation, must be close to an exact solution of the equation?

If the problem accepts a unique solution, we say the equation is stable. The first stability problem concerning group homomorphisms is related to a question of Ulam [30] in 1940.

“Let  $G$  be a group and  $G'$  be a metric group with metric  $d(\cdot, \cdot)$ . Given  $\epsilon > 0$  does there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that if a function  $f : G \rightarrow G'$  satisfies the inequality  $d(f(xy), f(x)f(y)) < \delta$  for all  $x, y \in G$ , then there exists homomorphism  $H : G \rightarrow G'$  with  $d(f(x), H(x)) < \epsilon$  for all  $x \in G$ ?”

In 1941 D.H. Hyers [11] gave the first affirmative partial answer to the question of Ulam for Banach spaces. He proved the following celebrated theorem.

**Theorem 1.** ([11]) *Let  $X, Y$  be Banach spaces and let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping satisfying*

$$\|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \leq \epsilon \quad (1)$$

*for all  $x, y \in X$ . Then the limit*

$$a(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n} \quad (2)$$

*exists for all  $x \in X$  and  $a : X \rightarrow Y$  is the unique additive mapping satisfying*

$$\|f(x) - a(x)\| \leq \epsilon \quad (3)$$

*for all  $x \in X$ .*

Aoki [2] generalized Hyers theorem for additive mappings. In 1978, a generalized version of the theorem of Hyers for approximately linear mappings was given by Th.M. Rassias [24]. He proved the following: